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**COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ENHANCING PARACELLULAR PERMEABILITY  
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(Title of the Invention)

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WHEREAS, we, Dhiren R. Thakker, City of Raleigh, State of North Carolina, and Peter D. Ward, City of Chapel Hill, State of North Carolina, (hereinafter "Assignors"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ENHANCING PARACELLULAR PERMEABILITY ACROSS EPITHELIAL AND ENDOTHELIAL BARRIERS for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States was made on October 10, 2000 as U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/239,328.

AND, WHEREAS, The University of North Carolina, a non-profit organization located at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, (hereinafter "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring an interest therein.

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